

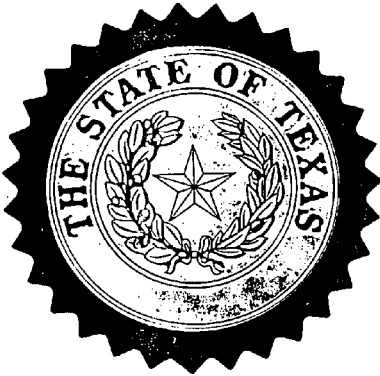
OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM
STATE OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

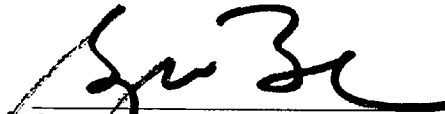
TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14, of the Texas Constitution, I, George W. Bush, Governor of Texas, do hereby disapprove and veto **House Bill No. 2557** because of the following objection:

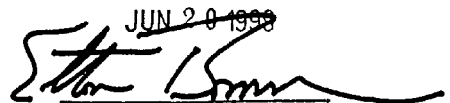
House Bill No. 2557, designed to solve one specific problem, could subject non-profit and faith-based organizations in Texas to unnecessary government intrusion. The intent of this legislation, to ensure public accountability for certain community services block grant funds, is better accomplished through rulemaking by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs. My office has directed the Department to review its rules, policies and contracts to ensure fiscal accountability.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 20th day of June, 1999.




George W. Bush
Governor of Texas

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SECRETARY OF STATE
11:45pm O'CLOCK

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Secretary of State